

## MINUTES

### COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR AIKEN COUNTY

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 736 RICHLAND AVENUE, W., AIKEN, S. C.

REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 3, 2004 – 7:00 P. M.

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#### (A) CALL TO ORDER

Determining that a quorum was present, Chairman Young called the meeting to order.

Council Members present:

Chairman Ronnie Young  
Scott Singer  
Charles Barton  
Rick Osbon  
Willar H. Hightower, Jr.

Council Members absent:

Kathy Rawls  
LaWana McKenzie  
Chuck Smith  
Eddie Butler

Also present:

J. Clay Killian, County Administrator  
Robert M. Bell, County Attorney  
Tamara Sullivan, Council Clerk

#### (B) INVOCATION

Councilman Hightower led in the invocation.

#### (C) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Osbon led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### (D) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- a. Councilman Singer made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilman Hightower seconded.
- b. The agenda was passed by unanimous vote.

#### (E) OLD BUSINESS

1. Proposed Ordinance to Place a Moratorium on the Submission of Applications for New Freestanding Signs in Aiken County Which Exceed Thirty-Two Square Feet in Size, Effective January 7, 2004, Until Revised Zoning and Development Standards Have Been Reviewed and Adopted by Aiken County Council.  
(Development Committee) (Third Reading)
  - a. Councilman Barton moved for the adoption. Councilman Osbon seconded.
  - b. Passed by unanimous vote.

2. Proposed Resolution to Appoint Three Persons to the Capital Projects Sales Tax Commission.  
(County Council)
  - a. Councilman Osbon made a motion to approve the Resolution. Councilman Hightower seconded.
  - b. Passed by unanimous vote.

(F) CONSENT AGENDA/INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

I. REGULAR CONSENT AGENDA

1. Proposed Resolution to Appoint One Member to Designated Boards, Commissions and Committees with Terms of the Appointees to Run Concurrent with that of the Councilmember from Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.  
(Rawls, Singer, McKenzie, Smith, Butler, Barton, Osbon)
2. Proposed Resolution to Approve the Allocation of Funds for Various Non Profit Agencies from the FY 2004 Council Contingency Fund.  
(County Council)
3. Proposed Resolution to Assign the Official Road Names to Existing Un-Named Private Roads in County Council District 1 and 3.  
(Rawls, McKenzie)
4. Proposed Resolution to Direct that Speed Limit Signs be Erected on Mary Rawls Road (C-671) Located in Council District 1, on Anderson Pond Road (C-274) Located in Council District 2, and on Fulmer Road (C-546) Located in Council District 6.  
(Rawls, Singer, Barton)
  - a. Councilman Hightower made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilman Osbon seconded.
  - b. The Consent Agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

(G) PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

1. *The Point of the Arrow: A Soldier's Memories of WWII*  
(Mr. Willis Irvin, Jr., Author)
  - a. Mr. Irvin presented his book to Council stating that his presentation was being made in memory of Mr. Tommy Hitchcock, a famous polo player and a veteran.  
  
Mr. Irvin discussed his concept of a statue commemorating Mr. Hitchcock and stated that he would pay for half of the cost if the County would consider paying for the other half.  
  
Mr. Irvin ended his presentation by requesting that Council pray for the soldiers in Iraq.
  - b. Councilman Singer suggested that the Historical Commission meet with Mr. Irvin to discuss the possibility of erecting a statue.

(H) ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND THE PUBLIC RECORD

1. Fiscal Year 2004 Aiken County Contingency Report as of January 21, 2004.

2. Monthly Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Cash Position, General Fund of Aiken County for the Month Ending August 31, 2003, September 30, 2003, October 31, 2003, and November 30, 2003.

(I) INFORMAL MEETING OF WHOLE

- a. Ms. Mary Delaney appeared before Council again to discuss her concerns about the Langley Fire Department and the use of funds by that entity. Ms. Delaney requested an audit of the Langley Fire Department's finances.
- b. Mr. Killian explained that the Langley Fire Department was part of a Special Purpose District which was created by the State. The County's contract with Langley Fire Department only requires that they submit an annual financial report to the County.

Mr. Killian added that it was a very complicated issue and that the County Attorney and County staff are reviewing County fire protection and what authority Council has.

- c. Councilman Singer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Hightower seconded.
- d. The motion to adjourn passed by unanimous vote.

(J) EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Legal Matters:
  - a. Status Report on Pending Litigation, Legal Claims and Legal Advice.  
(County Attorney) (Verbal)
2. Contractual Matters:
3. Personnel Matters:

(K) ADJOURNMENT – 7:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

SIGNED:

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Tamara Sullivan, Council Clerk

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Ronnie Young, Chairman